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SUBJECT: SOVIET JEWS WHO CHANGE DIRECTIONS IN VIENNA

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1. EMBASSY UNABLE RECONCILE FIGURES GIVEN IN REFTEL FOR "REFUGEES AWAITING CONDITIONAL ENTRY PROCESSING IN ROME" WITH MUCH LOWER CASELOAD REPORTED BY INS ROME FOR SAME PERIOD. FOR INSTANCE THE NUMBER OF CASES PENDING WITH INS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS FOR EACH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED IN REFTEL WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MONTH (1976)	EX-USSR APPLICANTS FOR CONDITICONAL ENTRY	ALL OTHER APPLICANTS FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY
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JANUARY	954	164
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FEBRUARY	1210	159
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MARCH	1345	136
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APRIL	1397	163
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MAY	800	132
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CORRESPONDING FIGURES FOR JULY, 1976 WERE 664 EX-USSR, 123 OTHERS.

2. AS USRP CONDITIONAL ENTRY CASELOAD FIGURE FOR A GIVEN MONTH PRESUMABLY INCLUDES EVERYONE WHOSE CASE WAS PROCESSED TO A CONCLUSION DURING THE MONTH AS WEKLL AS CASES ON HAND AT END OF MONTH/, THERE ARE GIVEN BELOW THE NUMBER OF CASES ON WHICH ACTION WAS COMPLETED BY INS, ROME DURING JANUARY-JULY, 1976:

MONTH (1976)	APPROVED AND ENTRY DOCUMENTS ISSUED	CONDITIONAL REJECTED	CASE OTHERWISE CLOSED
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JANUARY	488	40	6
FEBRUARY	280	44	17
MARCH	231	98	8
APRIL	215	12	8
MAY	477	18	2
JUNE	472	7	10
JULY	386	44	1

3. IN ADDITION, DURING APRIL, MAY AND JUNE EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION ISSUED NON-PREFERENCE IMMIGRANT VISAS TO MORE THAN 1,900 DEPENDENTS OF PRINCIPAL ALIENS FOR WHOM INS HAD APPROVED CONDITIONAL ENTRY STATUS, AS FOLLOWS:

MONTH (1976)	NUMBER
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APRIL	220
MAY	829
JUNE	889

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AS DEPT. AND MISSION AWARE, THESE APPLICANTS WERE ISSUED VISAS OWING TO SHORTAGE OF CONDITIONAL ENTRY NUMBERS. HOWEVER, REGARDLESS OF ENTRY DOCUMENTATION ISSUED THEM, THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN USRP TOTAL OF "REFUGEES AWAITING CONDITIONAL ENTRY PROCESSING".

4. ADMITTEDLY SOME REFUGEES FUNDED BY USRP WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN

INCLUDED IN INS CASELOAD BECAUSE THEY WERE SEEKING RESETTLEMENT
IN COUNTRY OTHER THAN U.S. OR, HAVING ONLY RECENTLY ARRIVED ROME,
HAD NOT YET FILED APPLICATION FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY WITH INS.
IT IS BELIEVED, HOWEVER THAT REFUGEES FALLING IN ALL OF THESE
CATEGORIES WOULD TOTAL NO MORE THAN A FEW HUNDRED IN ANY ONE MONTH.

5. WITH REFERENCE TO PARAGRAPH 4 OF REFTTEL IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING
FROM VOLAGS THAT THEY REFUSE CONTINUE ASSISTANCE TO ANY APPLICANT
FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY IF HIS APPLICATION IS DENIED BY INS ON
BASIS THAT HE HAS BEEN FIRMLY RESETTLED ELSEWHERE SINCE LEAVING
USSR AND IS NOT THEREFORE ELIGIBLE FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY. VOLPE

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